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## Tenant request for Energy Efficiency Improvement 2016

These regulations took effect from April 2016 and give domestic private rented sector tenants the right to request consent from their landlord to install energy efficiency improvements in the property they rent, and the landlord cannot unreasonably refuse.

The regulations form part of the [Efficiency \(Private Rented Property\) \(England and Wales\) Regulations 2015](#).

A [guide](#) has been produced to give an overview of the steps a tenant must take when preparing a consent request for their landlord, the steps a landlord must take when considering a tenant's request (including details of the situations where a consent request may be declined), and the process a tenant should follow to appeal a landlord's decision.

### **Key steps a tenant must take when preparing an energy efficiency consent request:**

- Checking their tenancy type,
- Deciding which energy efficiency improvements they wish to make,
- Securing appropriate funding, and
- Compiling the necessary evidence and preparing the written request.

### **Key steps a landlord must take when considering an energy efficiency consent request:**

- Deciding whether there are any grounds under which they could reasonably refuse consent,
- Deciding whether they need to obtain additional advice or evidence before making a decision,
- Deciding whether they require third part consent before consenting to the tenant's request, and
- Deciding whether they wish to make a counter proposal.

The guide can be found at this link: [Gov.UK guidance for landlords and tenants on energy efficiency improvements provisions April 2016](#)